



What career is right for you?

ROCKER:

Graduation is really hitting me like an earthquake.

COUNSELOR:

What do you mean?

ROCKER:

Well, it's coming at me really fast and as soon as I graduate my mom's making me get a job. And, I don't know what I wanna do.

COUNSELOR (V.O.):

Finding a job is often built on what you like to do. What do you do for fun?

ROCKER:

Um...

SCHOOL STAFF INDIVIDUAL:

No, no, no, stop, stop you can't be playing here. I'm sorry but you're gonna have to go. You have to....stop, stop, okay we're done.

COUNSELOR (V.O.):

College can give you knowledge and skills for your dream job.

ROCKER:

College? I'd rather be playing music than sitting in class. I don't need college to do what I love.

COUNSELOR (V.O.):

Sure you do.

You have a strong passion for music. You could study music theory or music technology.

You are a leader and like being the center of attention. What about careers in teaching or public speaking?

You may want to explore degrees in the music business or marketing.

You can still perform concerts while you're in college. You can also earn a degree and turn your passion into a career.

ROCKER:

Ya, but what if I spend all that time on that degree and miss my shot at getting famous? I don't want to be stuck with a job I hate.

COUNSELOR (V.O.):

There are lots of ways you can explore career options before you even sign up for college.

You can visit college web sites, read job publications and research music careers on-line.

ROCKER:

Music careers enter. What I really want to do is like sell out the Madison Square Garden, New York City. I could be like Justin Bieber. He's not even 18 yet and he's already sold out the Madison Square Garden. And, I don't think he's even hit puberty yet, so.....

COUNSELOR (V.O.):

You can visit a college offering a specific program of study, tour businesses and job sites, or job shadow to experience a job in a real-life situation.

TECHNICIAN:

Get some reverb, some echo, that kind of thing. Yeah....so right there, those are the actual patterns of your voice....

ROCKER:

Nice.

TECHNICIAN:

....and how they look digitally on a screen.

ROCKER:

Right there is perfect

TECHNICIAN:

That's perfect? Alright. Cool. Cool.

So I'm going to give you a count.....ahh, how many beats per minute is this ahh, is this like a temp of 120 or something like that.

ROCKER:

...and then when we got back they put me in this cool little sound room at the studio....and then from there we record little bits and piece of my song. And then he showed me how they mix everything together! One song can have over a hundred tracks to it! So I think I want to be a sound engineer.

ROCKER'S MOTHER:

That's good son, but no one in our family has gone to college. It can be very, very expensive.

ROCKER:

Ever since I was little I wanted to be this famous guy.

But if that doesn't work out I want to know that I can still do what I love. And that's music. At least I'll have my safe net, which is my college degree.

ROCKER'S MOM:

He started playing when he was two years old. He's gonna be famous someday. He's gonna take care of mom. He's gonna become rich and famous.

ROCKER:

I'm going! Where do I sign?

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